

Welcome to

FORT MONROE



Briefing & Tour Links

Length varies depending on customer needs

- **The Child Development Center (CDC)** offers a range of programs for children and their families including Child Development Services (CDS), School Age Services (SAS), full day and hourly day care, and family child care in an Army certified home. Fort Monroe's CDC programs have been accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs (NAEYC) since 1991, (757) 788-5960.
- **The Community Activities Center** is home to a variety of MWR services including the Frame and Craft Shop, Youth Services activities and the indoor pool. The Community Activities Center is host to multiple events and celebrations throughout the year, (757) 788-3301.
- **Army Community Services (ACS)** is a comprehensive blend of quality of life programs in support of Department of Defense activities. Customer focused and business based, the programs offered are intended to provide support services, education, and information to assist the military, retiree, civilian, and family member population at Fort Monroe and surrounding areas. All our programs are offered to a joint service population, (757) 788-2070.
- **MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation)** serves the needs and interests of soldiers, family members, retirees and civilian employees with affordable programs and services designed to enhance soldiers' and their dependents' quality of life, (757) 788-3320.
- **The School Liaison Officer (SLO)** serves as a conduit of school information and is the primary point of contact for public and private school matters for military families, (757) 788-4673.

Hampton Roads Points of Interest

- **Virginia Air & Space Museum:** Your imagination will soar as you launch a rocket, pilot a space shuttle, come face-to-face with the APOLLO 12 Command Module and a DC-9 passenger jet. Finally, experience a 3D IMAX film. 3.2 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 727-0900.
- **Virginia Mariners Museum:** Widely recognized as one of the finest nautical museums in the world. Be sure to check out the "Defending the Seas" exhibit chronicling the U.S. Navy, 1775 to present. 8.1 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 596-2222.
- **Virginia Living Museum:** Part botanical, part science museum, part nature preserve, part planetarium and all fun! 7.9 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 595-1900.
- **U.S. Army Transportation Museum:** This Fort Eustis-based museum is anything but ordinary. Exhibits include over 200 years of military transport. 14.7 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 878-1109.
- **Yorktown Battlefield:** On which the British surrendered to George Washington. There are several different guided tours of the complex. 15.6 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 898-2409.
- **Colonial Williamsburg:** Where you step back 220 years to the eve of the American Revolution. The pursuit of equality, freedom and independence began a revolution that continues to shape the world. Tours, shopping and dining available. 22.7 miles from Fort Monroe, (757) 229-1000.



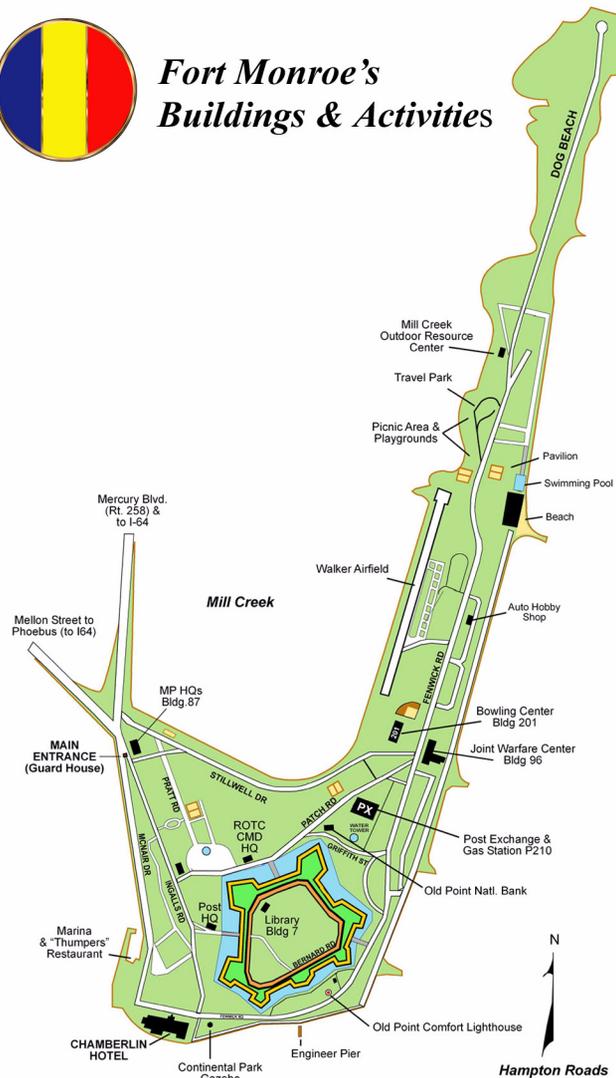


Fort Monroe History

- Named in honor of President James Monroe
- Construction began in 1819, completed in 1834
- Largest stone fort ever built in the United States. Only moat-encircled fort used by the U.S. Army
- Continuously occupied since 1823
- Robert E. Lee assigned here in 1831 as a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers
- Edgar Allan Poe assigned here in 1828 as a sergeant major of Artillery
- Jefferson Davis was imprisoned here falsely accused of plotting the assassination of President Lincoln



Fort Monroe's Buildings & Activities



Walking Tour

Length of Walking Tour: 90 minutes

Casemate Museum: Starting point of the Walking Tour. Stop and pick up your Walking Tour Guide inside, (757) 788-3391.

Highlights include:

- **Lee's Quarters:** The future Confederate General, Robert E. Lee, stationed here from 1831 to 1834 and occupied the quarters.
- **Old Cistern:** For many years, drinking water was obtained from here.
- **Chapel of the Centurion:** U.S. Army's oldest wooden structure in continuous use since 1825 for religious services. Check out the history behind the Tiffany style glass windows dedicated from 1876 to 1880.
- **Seacoast Batteries:** Built between 1891 and 1920. They housed some of the most powerful weapons of their time.
- **Lincoln Gun:** Cast in 1860. Named for President Lincoln in 1862 and the first 15-inch Rodman Gun ever made.
- **Old Stockade:** Prisoners were confined in a large chamber and adjacent cells.
- **Quarters Number One:** Oldest residence on post. Distinguished visitors included President Lincoln and the Marquis de Lafayette.

